

# THE DAILY EMPIRE.

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The Freedmen's Bureau—A Negro Luxury.

GEN. HOWARD, the head of the Freed-Negro Bureau, has made report of what he and his subordinates and their negro pets the emancipated slaves of the South, have been doing during the past year. He endeavors to make a reasonable show of practical usefulness in his enterprise of elevating and making a respectable fellow-citizen out of Sambo, and had we not, on all hands, and from numerous and reliable sources, the most indubitable testimony that, instead of amelioration to the African by his freedom, he has been most terribly curtailed, we would be inclined to believe some little what he reports. He admits having received from miscellaneous sources (Congress) in creating the bureau, made no appropriation.

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"IT IS ESTIMATED THAT THE AMOUNT REQUIRED FOR EXPENDITURES BY THE BUREAU FOR THE FISCAL YEAR COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 1866, WILL BE ELEVEN MILLION SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY-FIVE THOUSAND AND FIFTY DOLLARS."

That tells its own story. The small item of *Eleven Millions and nearly three quarters*—for what? To support a thriftless race in idleness—to render their physical condition, yes, and their moral condition, too, infinitely worse than it was when Yankees began this war, ostensibly for their liberation from oppression. But who is green enough to believe that in the minds and schemes of these Yankee charlatans the negroes say thing more in their regard than what his use may be worth to aid them hydriding large sums of money from the treasury and the pockets of the people to support a horde of fanatical mischief makers, who for more than a quarter of a century have kept the country in ferment about the "poor negro?"

Imagine how it would be received by these howling fanatics of the North, if the poor white laborers of the South and West would petition Congress to vote and have eleven or twelve millions of public funds to feed, clothe and educate them; what a howl would we hear! Scummen would tear his rhetoric to tatters in decrying it, while all New England would anathematise as was never before heard from there, since the days when it was first agitated to deprive that detectable people of the profits of the African slave trade!

## The Paper Monopoly.

After Congress gets fairly under way—having removed the Saubro from its wheels of legislation, it is greatly to be hoped that that body will find time to pay a little attention to the paper monopoly, this session. The Old Colony *Sentinel* complains that within the past few months, the paper monopolists, taking advantage of any little priest, such as one or two mills stopping for want of water, or because one is burnt occasionally, have again put up all kinds of paper to an exorbitant price, knowing full well that their customers have no remedy. We hope there may be men enough in Congress—men who can not be bought by the paper interest—to do justice to the public by voting a reduction on the present prohibitory tariff.

It is especially to be hoped that Mr. Senator JOHN SHERMAN will be come enough to review his course of the last session and take the position which is demanded of him by the manifest interests of his constituents, and labor to relieve them of the paper tax burden, which he aided by vote and influence in imposing on them. It is to be hoped, also, that he and his rival for the Senate—over Representative SCHENCK—will not so zealously canvass for that position of them in this behalf, by the newspaper press, especially, as much by that of their own party as by any other.

Respecting the repeal or material modification of the paper tariff, we can see no party difference of opinion as to not only its utility but its imperative necessity.

## The White House.

Before Congress proceeds to vote a gratuity of \$25,000 to the widow of President LINCOLN, the credit of the country would seem to require of that body to first ascertain the truth or falsity of the report, now in general circulation, and gradually assuming a definite shape, that while Mrs. L. was an occupant of that mansion after the death of her husband, and before President Johnson took possession, she availed herself of the opportunity to appropriate, as private property and carry away the more valuable pieces of furniture which adorned the building. We would much rather hear that the report is unfounded than that it can be authenticated.

The *Chillicothe Gazette* mentions the fact that John Clever, who formerly resided in that (Ross) county, several months ago, died near Bloomingburg, Fayette county, at the age of one hundred and ten years.

CAMELS IN TEXAS.—A letter from San Antonio, Texas, says the Government claims, the descendants of the herd imported some fifteen years ago from Egypt, excite the curiosity of strangers. They number about seventy, are of all sizes and ages, some still unweaned. Only seven of the original lot are alive.

## NEWS OF THE DAY.

The Sandusky *Advertiser* yesterday says: John S. Barey, the great horse-tamer, was attacked with paralysis last Saturday evening at his residence, near Groveport, in Franklin county. He was out skating during the afternoon, and, on returning home, was attacked violently and is now in serious danger.

Major Nelson Downing, formerly of Mechanicsburg, but more recently of London, Q., on Monday, stepped from a balcony at the American House in Delaware, O., and striking his head on the pavement, died in ten minutes.

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James F. Barker, a wealthy oil merchant of New York, on the 19<sup>th</sup>, blew out his brains with a pistol, because it is supposed, he had lately made an unfortunate investment. "Better to bear the ills we have," &c.

Randolph L. Dodge, a clerk for the Adams Express Company, at Vicksburg, who had been missing for some time with some packages of money to the amount of fifteen thousand dollars was arrested in Boston on Monday.

The message of President Johnson was looked forward to with so much anxiety and was regarded as of such great international importance by the Canadian people, that it was telegraphed complete to the Montreal newspapers, and appeared in full in their issues of the morning following the day of its presentation to Congress.

Three robbers of Balsley's store at Rockport, Ia., a few weeks since, have been caught at Louisville. The silver bar, weighing one hundred and eleven ounces, was recovered, but the \$13,000 in paper is absent.

The Augustan (Ga.) *Chronicle* and *Sentinel* says "during a visit a few days since to the Banking House of E. M. Bruce & Co., in this city, we noticed at one of the desks a son of Gen. John C. Breckinridge, busily engaged in discharging the duties of his position.

## The Fenians.

Notwithstanding the trouble in the organization, the money still comes into the O'MARONEY headquarters, at the rate of \$7,000 a day. The New York *Express* says:

The course pursued by Colonel O'Mahony, however, has been approved by a large number of Circles, and our reporter ascertained this afternoon, that since the difficulty commenced, an average amount of \$7,000 daily was received by Mr. Dorin Kilian, the Treasurer, from various Circles throughout the country. This first is relied on by the supporters of O'Mahoney as a practical illustration of the confidence reposed in him.

It is admitted that over five millions of dollars have been collected from all sections of the country for this fund; and here it is again, that contributions still flow in at the rate of \$7,000 per day; and, asks the Cincinnati *Commercial*, what have they done with it? Have they raised an army, and cost you a trifling yearly sum?

## FIND THE PLACE!

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Adjoining Empire Office.

## HUSBANDS!!

WHAT MORE APPROPRIATE CHRISTMAS PRESENTS CAN YOU MAKE TO YOUR WIVES THAN A LIFE INSURANCE POLICY

## Phoenix Mutual!

OF HARTFORD, CONN.?

This would insure your family against want in case of your death, and cost you a trifling yearly sum. Call and see the agent.

## DR. MAYER.

Corner of Fifth and Jefferson st., Dec 19, 1865.

## VAN AUDSAL & CO.

No. 74 Main Street.

## CARPET STORE

AND

## HOUSE FURNISHING GOODS

FOR THE HOLIDAYS.

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BRUSSELS CARPETINGS.

TAPESTRY BRUSSELS CARPETING.

THREE-PLY CARPETING.

TAPISSEY INGRAIN CARPETING.

EXTRA SUPER INGRAIN CARPETING.

MEDIUM INGRAIN CARPETING.

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## XX FRESH OYSTERS XXX.

I am now in daily receipt of the best brands of

## FRESH BALTIMORE OYSTERS.

Direct through from the Bay by Fast Express.

I am determined to supply my customers with the best system in the world—the simplest advance on account, and the lowest rates of charges.

Warranted good. Give me one call and if I do not prove the above I will not ask another.

## A. L. DUNLEVY.

Omaha Building, Fifth street, on canal

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